



## City of San Marcos

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## NEWS

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### City Council Preview: Tuesday, April 6, 2010

#### **Proclamations and Honors: 5 p.m.**

Mayor Susan Narvaiz and the City Council will welcome Texas Historic Commission representatives who will present the First Lady's Texas Treasures Award to the San Marcos community. In addition, the City will recognize Fair Housing Month, Math Awareness Week, the Youth Service Bureau 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Child Abuse Prevention Month, top employer Flintco, San Marcos High School Boys Soccer Team and the Marshall Company for Shred Day.

#### **Workshop: 6 p.m.**

The City Council will hold a discussion with PlaceMakers LLC on the "SmartCode" being developed for downtown San Marcos during a four-day long series of workshops and public meetings April 6-9. The downtown "SmartCode" will encompass zoning, subdivision rules, urban design and architectural standards into one redevelopment guide specific to downtown revitalization.

#### **Regular Meeting: 7 p.m.**

#### **Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)**

Patillo, Brown and Hill, LLP, will be on hand to report on the City of San Marcos 2009 fiscal year audit and the financial position of the City at the close of the fiscal year on September 30, 2009. The agency has reported an unqualified "clean" opinion on the City's financial statements for the year.

#### **LCRA 25 Year Wholesale Power Contract**

The City Council will consider a resolution approving a 25 year Wholesale Power Agreement with the Lower Colorado River Authority to sell electricity to San Marcos from 2016 through 2041. The current agreement expires in 2016. The City's negotiations have sought to accomplish several goals:

- Allow the City to buy up to 35% of its power from other sources, increasing from 10% in the current contract
- Emphasize future renewable resources and environmental stewardship
- Ability to purchase power from alternative or renewable power sources
- Incentives for peak demand reduction and conservation programs
- Support for smart-grid technology and distributed generation

LCRA has provided wholesale power to San Marcos since 1939 and operated the local retail system until the City bought the system in 1986. San Marcos has among the lowest rates for retail electric service in Texas.

*The agendas for City Council meeting are posted a minimum of 72 hours before the meeting online at [sanmarcostx.gov/cityhall/cityclerk/CouncilAgenda.html](http://sanmarcostx.gov/cityhall/cityclerk/CouncilAgenda.html). Regular City Council meetings are broadcast live on Time Warner Channel 10 and Grande Channel 16 and video streamed live on the City's website at [sanmarcostx.gov](http://sanmarcostx.gov).*

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